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1. Source states that the Grand Mufti of Palestine, Hajj Amin al-HUSAYNI, will attend the Pan-Islamic Conference in Karachi next month.
2. The Mufti, when first invited to attend, had refused to make the trip. He changed his mind when King FARUK asked him pointedly to go. The Mufti replied that, health permitting, he would do so.

Field Comment: It is interesting to compare this report with ELB-2308, which states that Kamal Bey JUNKBLAT had received an invitation to attend a "Congress of Asiatic Arab Socialist Parties," which will be held in India in March to form an Asiatic Arab "Third Force;" with ELB-2312, in which two members of the Moslem Brotherhood from Pakistan are reported propagandizing for Moslem world neutrality; and ELB-2357, in which Nail TUMA announces that the Communist Party is going to form an "Eastern League." Quite possibly this Eastern League will attempt to dominate the Pan-Islamic Conference and the Congress of Asiatic Arab Socialist Parties.

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